

CHAPTER 6

Collection and Submission of LBAM samples to the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) Plant Pest Diagnostics Branch (PPDB) Laboratory

The procedures outlined in this chapter apply when submitting “Suspect” LBAM specimens for identification. Use the following guidelines for “Suspect” LBAM larvae, pupae or egg masses.



SECTION 1: SUBMISSION OF LBAM SPECIMENS FOR IDENTIFICATION

A When sending specimen through mail or parcel carrier to CDFA PPDB Lab

- (i) Always use separate PDRs for each separate life stage being submitted
- (ii) Always use “Suspect Light Brown Apple Moth” from a pull down menu in the “Sumbitter Remarks” field when completing the PDR
- (iii) Place specimen in vial containing alcohol supplied by the CDFA PPDB lab

B When delivering specimen in person to CDFA PPDB Lab

- (i) Always use separate PDRs for each separate life stage being submitted
- (ii) Always use “Suspect Light Brown Apple Moth” from a pull down menu in the “Sumbitter Remarks” field when completing the PDR
- (iii) Place specimen in vial containing alcohol supplied by the CDFA PPDB lab or use vial containing 95% alcohol